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## SCOPE OF WORK PROVISIONS

FOR

**TREE TRIMMER (LINE CLEARANCE)**

IN

**INYO, LOS ANGELES, MONO, ORANGE, RIVERSIDE, SAN BERNARDINO,  
SANTA BARBARA, AND VENTURA COUNTIES**

The information in this packet is not based on a collective bargaining agreement.

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**408.664-010 TREE TRIMMER (tel. & tel.; utilities) alternate titles: tree trimmer, line clearance; tree-trimming-line technician**

Trims trees to clear right-of-way for communications lines and electric power lines to minimize storm and short-circuit hazards; Climbs trees to reach branches interfering with wires and transmission towers, using climbing equipment. Prunes treetops, using saws or pruning shears. Repairs trees damaged by storm or lightning by trimming jagged stumps and painting them to prevent bleeding of sap. Removes broken limbs from wires, using hooked extension pole. Fells trees interfering with power service, using chain saw (portable power saw). May work from bucket of extended truck boom to reach limbs.

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## **O\*NET Occupational Profile: Occupation-Specific Information**

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### **Tree, Log, and Brush Cutters (73099A)**

Some of the important occupation-specific tasks Tree, Log, and Brush Cutters may perform include:

- \* Removes branches interfering with communication or electric power lines, using climbing equipment or bucket of extended truck boom.
- \* Prunes trees and trims jagged stumps, using saws or pruning shears.
- \* Rives (splits) logs or wooden blocks into bolts, pickets, posts, or stakes, using hand tools, such as ax wedges, sledgehammer, and mallet.
- \* Fells trees and cuts limbs from felled trees, using portable power saw or ax.
- \* Removes broken limbs from wires, using hooked extension pole.
- \* Hoists tools and equipment to tree trimmer and lowers branches with rope or block and tackle.
- \* Harvests tanbark by cutting rings and slits in bark and stripping bark from tree, using spud or ax.
- \* Piles up wood debris and brush or loads onto truck, using winch.
- \* Feeds brush into shredding or chipping machine.